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SUBJECT: NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY HEAD POLITICS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

1. NDP LEADER ED BROADBENT HAS JUST SPENT THREE DAYS POLITICKING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.
2. HE ATTACKED HIGH FOOD PRICES, CRITICIZED THE EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S PROMOTION OF THE PANAMANIAN COPPER DEAL, AND CALLED FOR A "BILL OF RIGHTS" FOR WORKERS.
3. THE BILL OF RIGHTS WOULD BE BASED ON THREE PRINCIPLES:
THE RIGHT OF WORKERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FORMULATION OF
HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS; TO KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT TOXIC
SUBSTANCES BEING USED IN THE WORKPLACE; AND TO REFUSE TO
WORK UNDER CONDITIONS DANGEROUS TO HEALTH OR SAFETY.
4. NOT SURPRISINGLY, THE B.C. FEDERATION OF LABOR WELCOMED
BROADBENT'S STATEMENTS AND ENDORSED IN GENERAL THE NDP'S
STANCE VIS-A-VIS LABOR. FEDERATION SECRETARY-TREASURER
DAVE MACINTYRE WAS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT THE NDP IS THE
ONLY NATIONAL POLITICAL PARTY WITH A SERIOUS PROGRAM FOR
FIGHTING UNEMPLOYMENT. HE CHARACTERIZED THE LIBERALS'
POLICY AS "CALCULATED ARROGANCE" AND THAT OF THE CONSERVATIVES

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AS "BUMBLING OPPORTUNISM."

5. BROADBENT MADE ONE FURTHER HEADLINE WHEN HE ACCUSED THE
PRIME MINISTER OF MAKING HIS AUGUST 1 SPEECH ON THE ECONOMY
WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH FINANCE MINISTER CHRETEN.
HE ADDED THAT CHRETEN IS STILL WAITING TO GET HIS MARCHING
ORDERS.

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